MC1(SW) David C. Holmes U.S. Navy DINFOS Instructor

Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class David C. Holmes assumed his current duties at the Defense Information School (DINFOS) in March 2010. While serving as an instructor for the Basic Mass Communication Specialist Course (BMCSC), he has held positions such as team chief for BMCSC's Field Training Exercise, subject matter expert for BMCSC's video course, chairman of the MC1 Bobby McRill Excellence Award, and president of the DINFOS Petty Officers' Association.

Holmes enlisted in the Navy in 2001 and reported to his first assignment as a deck seaman aboard USS Jarrett (FFG 33) in San Diego, Calif. While deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, Holmes earned qualifications as a Master Helmsman, Crash and Salvage Crewman and Landing Signalman Enlisted.

In 2004, Holmes was capped from a deck seaman to Journalist 3rd Class and soon thereafter reported to DINFOS to attend Journalist 'A' school.

After graduating, Holmes arrived at Naval Media Center Rota, Spain, in 2005 and served as the Radio Department's Leading Petty Officer while operating as an on-air DJ and videographer. During his tour, he received a CHINFO Merit Award for spot production.

From 2007 to 2010, Holmes served on the public affairs staff for Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe-Africa/Commander, U.S. 6th Fleet based in Naples, Italy. He deployed in support of Africa Partnership Station, Black Sea Partnership Cruise and Phoenix Express while serving aboard various platforms including USS Nashville (LPD 13) and USS Mount Whitney (LCC/JCC 20). During his tour, his team earned 1st place in the Thompson-Ravitz Award for Excellence in Public Affairs.